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SUBJECT: BONA FIDES OF INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY OIL  
ASSOCIATION

1. ARP CONTACTED EACH OF THE INDIVIDUALS MR. GREEN USED  
AS REFERENCE IN AN EFFORT TO DETERMINE THE BONA FIDES OF  
THE INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY OIL ASSOCIATION. THE RESULTS OF  
THESE CONTACTS ARE DETAILED BELOW.

2. SENATOR KENNEDY'S OFFICE ISSUED GREEN A LETTER SIGNED  
BY THE SENATOR WISHING HIM WELL IN HIS ENDEAVOR TO PURCHASE  
OIL AND PRODUCTS AT A REDUCED PRICE AND RESELL THEM TO  
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UNDERPRIVILEGED PERSONS IN THE UNITED STATES. THE SENATOR'S

OFFICE DID NOT INVESTIGATE GREEN'S ABILITY TO CARRY OUT THIS PROJECT.

3. SENATOR BROOKE'S OFFICE--THE SENATOR'S OFFICE ALSO PROVIDED GREEN WITH A LETTER WISHING HIM WELL WITH HIS PLAN. A STAFFER AT THE SENATOR'S OFFICE RECALLED GREEN'S VISIT, POINTED OUT THAT GREEN HAD A FUEL OIL RETAIL BUSINESS IN BOSTON'S ROXBURY SECTION, BUT WAS NOT CERTAIN WHETHER GREEN HAD MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO STORE WHATEVER OIL HE MIGHT BE SUCCESSFUL IN PURCHASING.

4. A MS. LINDA BANGHART (NOT BURCKHART) IN SENATOR HARRISON WILLIAMS' OFFICE COULD VAGUELY REMEMBER A DISCUSSION SHE HAD SOME MONTHS AGO ON SOME PROJECT TO AID UNDERPRIVILEGED PEOPLE BY MAKING CHEAP FUEL OIL AVAILABLE TO THEM. SHE ALSO RECALLED THAT STORAGE OF THE OIL, BEFORE SALE, WAS A POTENTIAL PROBLEM FOR THIS PROJECT.

5. MR. HARDY AT BOSTON CUSTOMS ONLY CONTACT WITH MR. GREEN WAS TO INFORM GREEN OF THE DUTY ON OIL AND CONFIRM THE VALIDITY OF GREEN'S IMPORT LICENSE. HE HAD NO BASIS FOR ANY COMMENT ON GREEN'S PROJECT.

6. THE OFFICE WHICH ISSUES IMPORT LICENSES FOR PETROLEUM PRODUCTS IN FEA RECALLED GREEN HAD A "FEED LICENSE FOR OIL IMPORT." THESE LICENSES ARE ISSUED TO ANYONE WILLING TO PAY THEIR COST.

7. BARBARA WILLIAMS AT THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS LISTENED TO ARP'S DESCRIPTION OF GREEN AND HIS PROJECT, SAID IT WAS "GREEK" TO HER AND THAT SHE COULD NOT RECALL EVER MEETING A RAY GREEN.

8. IN SUMMARY, ARP'S INVESTIGATION INDICATES GREEN HAS INDEED DISCUSSED HIS PROJECT WITH THE MAJORITY OF PEOPLE HE HAS GIVEN AS REFERENCES, BUT NONE OF THE REFERENCES HAD INVESTIGATED IN DEPTH GREEN'S ABILITY TO CARRY OUT HIS PROJECT.

9. COMMERCE HAS REQUESTED A DUN AND BRADSTREET REPORT LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ON INDEPENDENT COMMUNITY OIL ASSOCIATION. RESULTS WILL BE SENT WHEN RECEIVED. KISSINGER

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